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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir :

This communication is responsive to the Official Action of December 29, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on March 29, 2005.

Applicant submits herewith a Request for Extension of Time for one month, thereby extending the time for responding to the outstanding Office Action to April 29, 2005, pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.7. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein-contained remarks.